

Application Number: 10/525,284
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REMARKS

This amendment is responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Response dated May 22, 2008 for which a one (1) month period of response was given. A Petition and fee for a one (1) month extension of time is attached hereto. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the above-mentioned fee for the extension of time and any other necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0959, Docket Number 089498.0441.

Claims 1, 4 through 9 and 21 are pending in the present application upon entry of the above amended claims. Claims 2, 3, and 10 through 20 have been cancelled. Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the various non-elected Groups of claims. Claims 1, 4, 6, 7, and 21 have been amended to more clearly state the nature of the present invention. Support for the amendments to claims 1, 4, 6, 7, and 21 exists in the specification as filed. Accordingly, entry and consideration of the amendments to the claims, and the remarks which follow, is believed due and is respectfully requested.

I. The Restriction Requirement:

A restriction requirement has issued against currently pending claims 1 through 21. The following are the groups in the current restriction requirement:

Group I – Claims 1, 4 through 9 and 21 (drawn to a compound);

Group II – Claims 2, 3, and 21 (drawn to a compound); and

Group III – Claims 10 through 20 (drawn to a process of making a compound).

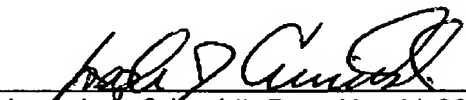
In light of the above, Applicant, through his undersigned attorney, elects Group I (claims 1, 4 through 9 and 21), without traverse, is hereby made.

Furthermore as a species, Applicant, through his undersigned attorney, elects a network formed from the combination of pentamethylcyclopentasiloxane (D₅H) with dihydroxyhexasiloxane (HO(SiO)₅SiOH). This combination is encompassed by the following claims, claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 (Structure (X) where each X is a hydroxyl), 8, 9 and 21.

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Should the Examiner wish to discuss any of the foregoing in more detail, the undersigned attorney would welcome a telephone call.

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